



THE UPDATE

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Next week's dates

Monday 26th April
School Council Meeting:
6.15pm Finance Sub
Committee
6.30pm School Council

Tuesday 27th April

Wednesday 28th April

Thursday 29th April

Friday 30th April
Interschool Sport
RPS vs Eltham PS AWAY

Upcoming dates

May

5th:

Mother's Day Stall

7th:

School Photos—full school
uniform required

10th:

Curriculum Day—no students
at school. OSHClub closed

11th-13th:

NAPLAN—Year 3 and Year 5

*See last page for more dates

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Principal's Passage

Mr Patrick Walsh

Welcome back

It was great to see everyone back at school this week. The weather cooled a little too much for my liking, but it was great to rug up in front of a fire again! I hope that you have all rested up (as much as possible) as we have a really big term coming up!

As mentioned in previous Updates, we have a Curriculum Day on Monday 10th May—there is no school for students and OSHClub will not be running that day.

Building Works

How good do the grounds look now that the fences are 95% down! We hope that you and your family enjoy our grounds and that they provide many years of happy memories for you. If you notice anything that appears damaged or 'not-quite-right' please let the office know.

Please note that the staff carpark (turning right once you drive into the driveway) is off limits for everyone except for staff, but we do have one accessible carpark spot for drivers with a permit.

Covid Update

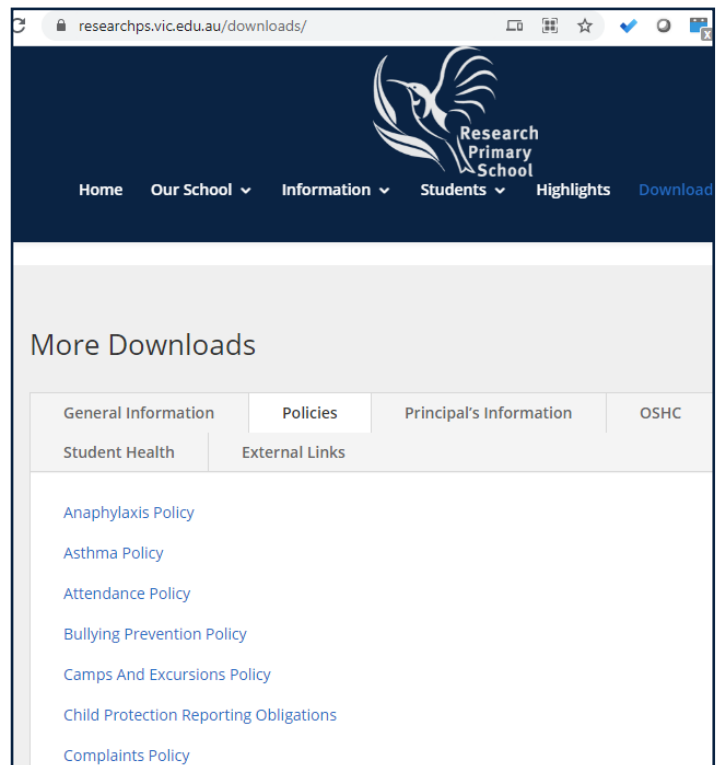
There has been no update to the guidelines provided to us by the Department of Education and Training. This means we are still somewhat restricted by the density limits (1 person per 2 m²) currently imposed on indoor activities that involve parents and other members of the community.

Principal's Passage (cont.)

Policies

An important part of School Council is the formation and approval of locally required policies. In the past, every school policy was required to be created, reviewed and approved at a school level. This was a HUGE amount of work and in most schools, created needless double-ups. DET has attempted to reduce this administrative burden by creating templates for us to use where we just add some context about our school and/or community. Some of these policies are written in such a way that we are not allowed to change any wording, others are written by us exclusively.

You can find our school policies here: <https://researchps.vic.edu.au/downloads/> and scroll to the bottom of the page. Please contact us if you have any questions about this.



ANZAC Day

On Sunday morning, Research Primary School will be represented by our School Captains and Community Captains at the Eltham ANZAC Day service at the Eltham Cenotaph. The service begins at 6am and is expected to finish at 7am. Jess and Brendan will be laying a wreath on our school community's behalf.



Working With Children Checks

This is your weekly reminder that if you would like to help with school activities/events, you must present a current WWCC (volunteer or employee) to the office before you can help out, or have an exemption due to your job (e.g. teachers, police etc).

Go to the following website <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/> and apply for a Volunteer WWCC. Volunteer WWCC are free to apply for and are valid for 5 years.

Mother's Day Stall

Get ready for it—the Research Primary School Mother's Day Stall is coming on Wednesday the 5th May! How great is it that we can have an event that is considered somewhat 'normal' after the year that was in 2020.

We will have a range of items and price up to \$10. If you would like your child to participate, please provide:

- between \$2 and \$10
- a bag to put the item/s into.

We are always looking for volunteers to help out at the stall. If you can help out for an hour or so between 9:30 and 11am, please contact the office with your contact details—someone will be in touch!

For our new to primary school families, the Mother's Day Stall is a great learning opportunity. Your child gets to see 'real' money being used to purchase items and to (potentially!) receive change. This is a PFC fundraising effort, with any profits being added to the PFC account. School Council will then decide where these funds will be spent and will report this to the community.



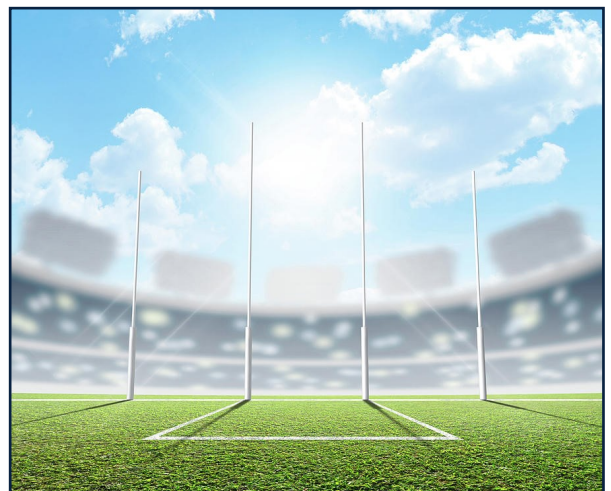
Goal Posts On Oval

We are looking to reinstate the AFL football goal posts on the oval (we have some plans for soccer goal posts as well soon). With football season well under way, it is timely that we can get these up. Does anyone have experience with installing these correctly? Do you have a post digger that could help us out? Please contact the office if you could help us with this. Thank you!

Have a great weekend.

Patrick

Acting Principal



School Photos—Friday 7th May

**Ordering
Now Open!**



Research Primary School Photo Day

Friday 7th May 2021

Ordering can be made through
your Compass Portal,
via your email link
Alternatively log into your
Compass Portal and follow the link
under the 'Community' Section

Class Group Style



Place your order soon to ensure our best pricing!

Family/Sibling Photographs

Available for students with siblings at school
Family photo orders can only be made through
your compass portal and must be purchased
by 11.59pm the day Before Photo Day.



We offer a 3rd Child Concession with our Premium and Classic Pack orders.
If you have 3 or more children at the school and would like to take up this offer
Please contact the below email address prior to photo day.

**If you require assistance please contact us;
admin.nem@msp.com.au**



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Upcoming dates:

April	
Sunday 25 th	6am Eltham ANZAC Day Dawn Service
Monday 26 th	6:15pm Finance Sub Committee 6:30pm School Council
Friday 30 th	Interschool sport v Eltham PS AWAY
May	
Monday 3 rd	Years Prep/1 Fairy Tale Fiasco
Wednesday 5 th	Mother's Day Stall
Thursday 6 th	Year 2 Drama Toolbox—Tiddalick
Friday 7 th	School Photos – please send students in school uniform
Monday 10th	Curriculum Day – no students at school
Tuesday 11 th – Thursday 13 th	NAPLAN (Years 3 and 5)
Friday 14 th	District Cross Country
Wednesday 19 th	National Simultaneous Story time—Spaced Out
Friday 21 st	Interschool sport v Our Lady's PS AWAY
Friday 28 th	Interschool sport - BYE
Monday 31 st	Years 3-6 Star Lab Incursion
June	
Tuesday 1 st	Years 3/6 RPS Athletics, Wilinda Park
Thursday 3 rd	Years Prep/1 Collingwood Farm
Friday 4 th	Interschool sport v Eltham College AWAY
Friday 11 th	Interschool sport v St Thomas AWAY
Monday 14 th	Queen's Birthday
Friday 18 th	Interschool sport v Eltham North PS HOME
Friday 25 th	Term 2 finishes at 2:30pm
July	
Monday 12 th	Term 3 begins
August	
Wednesday 4 th	3/4 Balance Gym starts (weekly for 5 weeks)
Thursday 5 th	1/2 Balance Gym starts (weekly for 5 weeks)
Thursday 19 th	Research Primary School 132nd Birthday
September	
Thursday 9 th	Parent Teacher Interviews (this is an alteration to the school day, where the students attend their interview only)
Friday 17 th	Term 3 finishes at 2:30pm
October	
Monday 4 th	Term 4 begins
Wednesday 20 th – Friday 22 nd	Years 3 – 6 Camp @ Campaspe Downs, Kyneton
November	
Monday 1 st	Curriculum Day – no students at school
Tuesday 2 nd	Melbourne Cup
December	
Friday 17 th	Term 4 ends 1:30pm